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Subject: Centers of Expertise

Applicability: Information

- 1. USACE has created and maintains centers of expertise in a wide range of technical fields in both military programs and civil works engineering subjects, in accordance with ER 1110-1-8158, Corps-wide Centers of Expertise Program. These centers were created primarily to provide support to all USACE elements for specialized or high technology facilities, where each individual district does not have the specific knowledge, expertise or experience in a given technical area.
- 2. The personnel at the various centers are truly subject matter experts within their field of expertise, and can assist in the design and construction of complicated, unique, or highly technical facilities. In some cases, having them do a final design review can prevent expensive and time consuming engineering changes during construction.
- 3. In addition to the engineering related centers of expertise, there are also a number of centers in non-engineering subjects, such as real estate and information management. A current list of all centers and a link to ER 1110-1-8158 can be found at: http://www.usace.army.mil/inet/functions/cw/cecwe/coexpert/index.htm. This site provides information on the mission and function of each center, points of contact, and a link to the center's home page for more detailed information.
- 4. You are encouraged to use the services of the USACE centers of expertise in place of, or in addition to, the private industry consulting services that you routinely use.
- 5. HQUSACE point of contact for the Centers of Expertise Program is Bob Fite, CECW-ETE, 202-761-7169.

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